

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A locking system for installation with and for preventing a child's access to a plurality of cabinets, cupboards or drawers, said locking system comprising:

a plurality of locking mechanisms, each said locking mechanism actuable to unlock a cabinet, cupboard or drawer,

an input for providing a power source to said locking ~~mechanism~~
mechanisms for electrically energizing said locking mechanisms,

a plurality of switches, each switch electrically coupled between said power source and a corresponding said locking mechanism, said switches being dimensioned and configured to be at least partially concealed from a child when installed in a cabinet, cupboard or drawer, and

a remote actuator capable of individually signaling said switches one switch at a time, whereby bringing said actuator in signal proximity to one of said ~~switch~~
plurality of switches causes said one switch to actuate thereby energizing a corresponding said locking mechanism by said power source and unlocking one of said cabinet, cupboard or drawer, and

each said locking mechanism including an override connection which may be selectively connected to bypass said plurality of switches thereby connecting each said locking mechanism directly to said power source thereby energizing each said locking mechanism to unlock said plurality of cabinets, cupboards or drawers.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Currently Amended) The system as claimed in claim 1, wherein ~~said~~ each switch is a reed switch and said actuator is a magnet.

4. (Cancelled)

5. (Currently Amended) The system as claimed in claim 1, wherein one of said plurality of locking mechanism ~~mechanisms~~ returns to a locked position when said actuator is outside of said signal proximity to said one switch.

6. (Cancelled)

7. (Currently Amended) The system as claimed in claim 6~~1~~, further comprising an override switch which is configured to be connected to ~~an~~ said override connection of said locking ~~mechanism~~ mechanisms, and when actuated connects each said locking mechanism to said power source thereby energizing each said locking mechanism and unlocking said plurality of cabinets, cupboards or drawers.

8. (Previously Presented) The system as claimed in claim 7, wherein said override switch connects each said locking mechanism to said power source for a predetermined period.

9. (Previously Presented) The system as claimed in claim 1, wherein each said locking mechanism includes a solenoid which activates a latch bolt which engages a striker within a stationary portion of said cabinet, cupboard or drawer.

10. (Cancelled)

11. (Currently Amended) The system as claimed in claim 1, wherein said remote actuator is in signal proximity to said one switch when said remote actuator is placed adjacent said cabinet, cupboard or drawer.